

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
FINANCE/GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE  
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** FY 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding Recommendations

**ELECTION DISTRICT:** Countywide

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**BACKGROUND:** At the Public Hearing on FY 2014 CDBG funding recommendations in April 2013, the Board of Supervisors requested that an update on proposed CDBG funding be presented to the Finance, Government Services and Operations (FGSO) Committee prior to the Board of Supervisors' deliberations on the FY 2015 budget.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is authorized by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. It provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled metropolitan cities and urban counties. The grants are used to implement a wide variety of community and economic development activities directed towards neighborhood revitalization and the provision of improved community facilities and services. CDBG funds are to be used primarily for the benefit of low and moderate income residents. In October 2003, Loudoun County achieved Urban County status with a population exceeding 200,000 and became eligible to receive an annual allocation of CDBG funds as an entitlement grantee from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Each year, the County solicits applications from non-profit organizations and Town governments in Loudoun for eligible public service and capital projects to be funded by CDBG. The applications are ranked by a review committee that makes funding recommendations to the Family Services Advisory Board (FSAB). The review committee is composed of two members of the FSAB and one member of the Housing Advisory Board (HAB). The FSAB then forwards its recommendations to a public hearing of the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

**ISSUES:** On January 6, 2014, the CDBG Review Committee met to discuss and rank the FY 2015 CDBG competitive applications and formulate funding recommendations. On January 9, 2014, the FSAB received a presentation on the review committee's funding recommendations and approved the recommendations to be forwarded to the Finance, Government Services and Operations Committee on February 11, 2014 and the Board of Supervisors Public Hearing on March 12, 2014.

Fifteen applications were received that total \$1,845,331 in funding requests. An additional \$100,000 of CDBG funds is available for re-allocation due to the cancellation of the FY 2013 Windy Hill Foundation Kinora Design Project. In October 2013, Windy Hill Foundation decided to no longer use CDBG funds for the project.

Twelve applications are recommended for a total of \$900,000 in FY 2015 CDBG funding. The funding recommendations are detailed on the attached matrix.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Based on the FY 2014 allocation of \$1,016,624, Loudoun County expects to receive an estimated allocation of \$1,000,000 for FY 2015 to fund twelve CDBG-eligible projects. CDBG funds cover administrative and program costs. No additional funding is required.

**ATTACHMENT:**

Matrix of FY 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding Recommendations

**Family Services Advisory Board Funding Recommendations  
CDBG Program Year 11 (2014-2015)**

PROJECT/ORGANIZATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED	NUMERICAL RANKING
<b>Public Service Projects</b>				
Loudoun Accessible Medication Program (Northern VA Family Service)	Assists low income and elderly access free prescription meds from pharmaceutical companies	\$38,093	\$38,093	1
Immigration Legal Services (Just Neighbors)	Provides legal services to low income immigrants experiencing domestic violence	10,000	10,000	1
Oral Health Program (Northern VA Dental Clinic)	Provides oral health care services to low-income and uninsured adult residents of Loudoun County	30,000	24,930	3
Healthy Families Loudoun (INMED)	Case Management for pregnant women, adolescents, families and children	58,163	37,806	4
Behavioral Health Services (HealthWorks)	Comprehensive individual and group therapy to extremely low income adults and children	35,000	22,750	5
Homeless Prevention Case Management (GSA)	Case management, resources and referrals to prevent homelessness and increase stability	15,000	5,250	6
Loudoun Dental Link Program (Northern VA Family Service)	Provides eligibility determination and links clients to affordable oral health care	31,917	11,171	6
Loudoun Immigrant Family Entireness (Ayuda)	Provides legal services to low income immigrants and refugees	14,000	0	8
<b>Total Public Service Projects</b>		<b>\$232,173</b>	<b>\$150,000*</b>	
<b>Capital Projects</b>				
Pediatric Service Expansion (HealthWorks)	Expansion for pediatrics/equipment at both Leesburg and Sterling facilities	\$200,000	\$200,000	1
Family and Youth Opportunity Center (INMED)	Lease and renovation of new facility in Sterling to serve vulnerable youth and adults	319,763	215,000**	2
Peace House Exterior Improvements (GSA)	Remove and replace wood boring beetle damage at transitional shelter facility	17,000	17,000	3
Davis Cottage Renovation (The Arc of Loudoun)	Renovate facility to expand STEP (Supported Training and Employment Program) to serve special needs population	354,220	222,000	4
Existing Property Program (Habitat for Humanity)	Acquire and rehab properties for resale to Habitat partner families	500,000	96,000	5
Willisville Sewer Extension (LC Dept Gen Svcs)	Extend sewer line to 3 homes with septic systems in need of replacement/repair	147,175	0	6
Loudoun Holiday Coalition (Help for Others)	Lease of facility and operating support for Holiday Coalition	75,000	0	7
<b>Total Capital Projects</b>		<b>\$1,613,158</b>	<b>\$750,000***</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUNDING RECOMMENDED FOR ALL PROJECTS</b>			<b>\$900,000</b>	

**Note:** \*Maximum CDBG funds allowed for Public Service Projects is 15% of total allocation.

\*\*Contingent on contract/lease on property being executed by June 30, 2014.

\*\*\*Includes \$100,000 of unexpended FY 2013 funds.